

LEGAL HOLIDAY—PROVIDING THAT THE TWELFTH DAY
OF OCTOBER SHALL BE DECLARED A LEGAL
HOLIDAY IN THIS STATE.

H. B. No. 126.]

CHAPTER 37.

An Act to amend Article 2939 of the Revised Statutes and to provide that the twelfth day of October of each year shall be a State holiday, and shall be known as Columbus Day, and repealing Article 2939 as amended by Chapter 11, of the General Laws of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Article 2939 as amended by Chapter 11 of the General Laws of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the Revised Statutes of 1895 shall be amended to read hereafter as follows:

Article 2939. What days are legal holidays. The first day of January, the twenty-second day of February, the second day of March, the twenty-first day of April, the third day of June, the fourth day of July, the first Monday in September, the twelfth day of October, and the twenty-fifth day of December, of each year, and all days appointed by the President of the United States, or by the Governor, as days of fasting or thanksgiving, and every day on which an election is held throughout the State, are declared holidays, on which all the public offices of the State may be closed, and shall be considered and treated as Sunday or the Christian Sabbath for all purposes regarding the presenting for payment or acceptance and of protesting for and giving notice of the dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks and promissory notes placed by the law upon the footing of bills of exchange.

SEC. 2. The fact that many states in the Union have seen fit to recognize the twelfth day of October as the day which should be set apart in honor of the discoverer of America, and the further fact that Texas should now and should have long ago joined in the celebration of this day, and the necessity now for making said day a legal holiday, create an imperative public necessity and emergency requiring that the rule that all bills be read on three several days in each House be suspended, and the same is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Approved March 10, 1911.

Becomes a law ninety days after adjournment.